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FROM SACRAMENTO.

A Dark Picture.—The assassin, who drives his murderous steel to the heart in the open blaze of day, should stand stainless of the blood of his victim beside the destroyer of human happiness, or of human life by the insidious innendo, or the vile slander. We record the following dark picture of human nature, more with the view of deterring others from the commission of like folly, or crime, if you please, than of giving pain to the living actors, or of holding them up to condemnation.

At one of the small towns in the mining region, not long since, a soiree was given at the principal house, to which all the ladies in the vicinity were invited. Among the number was a young lady, some fourteen or fifteen years old, whose mother lived in the vicinity. On the evening of the party, carriages were dispatched for the ladies and gentlemen. The young lady in question was called for, and took her seat in the vehicle with our informant and his lady. The carriage then drove on to receive more of the company, who were ready at hand. On perceiving the young lady in the carriage the new company refused to enter it, alleging that her mother was not a reputable woman. A gentleman present, to quiet the the matter, invited the young lady to ride on horseback, which she joyously assented to, not suspecting the reasons for the invitation. On reaching the town, the young lady was taken to a house, other than the one where the soiree was to take place, while a discussion was going on at the latter place, about her admission. Some were in favor of the admission, others vehemently opposed it, and it was at length determined that one of the managers should inform her that she could not take part in the soiree on account of the character of her mother. Alas! on the morrow she was raving mad, and in eight or ten days the poor victim filled a maniac's grave. Ah, well did Burns say, that

"Man's inhumanity to man
Makes countless millions mourn."

[Times.

Incidents of Election.—The several candidates for public favor were actively engaged yesterday in distributing tickets, soliciting voters, &c. Loudest in the profession of devotion to the people's interests stood Tom Spikens, calling on his friends to *spike* the guns of his opponents, and to vote for him, as he was "down on the rats," and would have a special law passed to rid the city of these varmints, if he was only sent to San Jose. Tom was prodigiously eloquent at times, and descanted on his measures of policy with much force.

Several good jokes occurred during the day. One of the hombres came up to vote, not knowing a single candidate personally. An aspirant for the Assembly was on hand, with just the ticket that would suit; at any rate he would read it to the voter, and such names might be erased as were objectionable. Accordingly the candidate commenced, and the voter was in raptures with the ticket, as it was read off, until our friend came to the Assembly. The first name was passed as good, but when he came to the second the voter broke out with (not having the least idea that the name represented the name of the gentleman who stood ready with pencil in hand, to make alterations) "Oh d—n him, I've learn of him afore; off with his name; I don't go for any sich man." Our friend, the candidate, quietly as the sly mouse who was caught nipping the cheese, knocked under, erased his own name, and wrote that of another who was preferred before him; and thus correct the ballot was handed over and duly deposited by the voter.—[Transcript.

Price of Flour.—For weeks past the price of flour has been advancing, in view of the demand created by the calls for the article to go into the mining districts to make up the supply for the wet season. The advance has been in the face or very large supplies from Chili, Oregon and the old States. [Times.

District Court. The District Court commenced its sessions at the court-house yesterday. Judge Thomas of our district being absent, Judge Creaner, of the fifth district, presides *pro tempore*. We understand that there are upward of four hundred and fifty cases already upon the docket. The Grand jury will be empannelled this morning. They will have a large amount of business before them.—Among other cases, they will have those of the prisoners that were engaged in the squatter riots of August last before them. [Transcript.

☞ We learn that Mayor Biglow has vetoed the salary bill lately passed by the City Council, allowing themselves two hundred dollars per month, exclusive of the sums voted, from time to time, for committee services, etc.

THE CHOLERA in the Indiana Penitentiary continues at Jeffersonville. There had been 15 deaths, 5 having died on Aug. 13th, leaving 20 under treatment. Among the deaths was that of David Root, convicted of robbing the Madison Bank, who protested his innocence on his deathbed. The Louisville Courier mentions another, as follows:—

"William Sheerer, sentenced by the U.S. District Court for robbing the mail. The proof of his guilt was very slight, in our judgment. He had been a member of the Legislature, and was County Surveyor. A petition, signed by a vast number of names, had been gotten up for his release, but had not been sent on to Washington. He protested his innocence to the warden on his dying bed, and charged him to let it be remembered, that, with the certain prospect of death within an hour, he declared himself innocent of the crime."

EXPOSURE TO THE SUN.—There are few points which seem less generally understood, or more clearly proved, than the fact that the exposure to the sun, without exercise sufficien to create free perspiration, will produce illness; and that the same exposure to the sun, with sufficient exercise, will not produce illness. Let any man sleep in the sun, he will wake perspiring and very ill, perhaps he will die. Let the same man dig in the sun for the same length of time, and he will perspire ten times as much, and be quite well. The fact is, that not only the direct rays of the sun, but the heat of the atmosphere, produce abundance of bile, and powerful exercise alone will carry off that bile. [Popular Errors Explained.

☞ A young lady of eighteen, Miss B., was engaged to be married to a gentleman of thirty-six. Her mother having noticed her low spirits for time, inquired the reason.

"Oh dear, mamma," replied the young lady, "I was thinking about my husband being twice my age."

"That's true, but he's only thirty-six."

"He's only thirty-six, now, mamma, but—when I'm sixty—."

"Well."

"Oh dear, why then he'll be a hundred and twenty."

LATE FROM CARSON VALLEY.

We conversed with Mr. E. Eyre, yesterday, a gentleman who has just returned from his trading post in Carson Valley, from whom we learn several matters of interest connected with the immigration arriving at that point from over the plains. Mr. E. states that nine-tenths of the immigration en route over the desert take the Truckee route, and that the Carson road seems to be almost entirely abandoned.

There were scattered along the Carson river some twenty trading posts, but most of the traders were anxious to close out their stock in trade, and return to this city, consequently, a few days previous to the departure of Mr. E. a great reduction in the price of provisions had taken place. This gentleman thinks that the twenty trading posts have some fifty thousand pounds of flour, together with other articles for consumption, that in consequence of this sparseness of the immigration flour could be had as low as 30 cents, and he had seen some sold for fifteen cents! Earlier, it commanded quite readily from $1 to $2 per pound; but the almost entire withdrawal of travel from that route has induced traders to sell out at almost any prices.

The previous advices received by us, stated that some of the Carson river traders were taking their provisions towards the Truckee route, but the heavy sand and desert country that must be passed over between the two points have prevented any number from engaging in the retransportation of provisions. No communication exists between the two routes, at least none from Truckee to the Carson; hence we cannot of course receive any later intelligence from that quarter by the arrival of Mr. Eyre.

The number in the rear is variously estimated. Packers informed Mr. E. that at least from six to eight thousand wagons were behind; whilst Mr. E.'s own opinion is, that the number cannot far exceed two or three thousand. This would put the number of persons at about eight or ten thousand!

We regret to learn that great mortality has existed and continues still to exist in Carson Valley. Mr. E. has been absent from this city since the middle of July, and thinks the average number of deaths, each day in the Valley, could not have been less than eight or ten. The disease is of the most virulent character, and partakes of all the symptoms of cholera. A few nights before he left, twenty-five men laid down to sleep, in apparent good health, and early the next morning six of the twenty-five were consigned to their graves! Those arriving over the desert are generally in a weak condition, and their systems being entirely prostrated, they fall easy victims to disease.

Stock of all kinds was purchased at low prices. Two pounds of flour and sometimes as high as ten or twelve, were given for horses, mules and oxen.

We were fearful that the tide of immigration will turn to the Carson route again, after the traders have pulled up stakes, and abandoned their various posts on the Carson and those on the Truckee, cannot be over forty miles, but the road is most desolate, without a drop of water or a spear of grass, so that the present supplies on the one route are not likely to be taken to the other.

It scarcely seems possible for any number approximating 8,000 wagons, to be yet in the rear. In that event, several thousand will inevitably find themselves on the east side of the mountain, so late in the season, that the snow will render it impossible for them to reach here before next spring. In the event of such a calamity, large numbers must necessarily perish.—[Transcript.

EXHAUSTIBILITY OF CALIFORNIA GOLD.

In his new work entitled 'Three Years in California,' published lately, Mr. Walter Colton expressed the belief that the surface gold in California will, in a few years, be measurably exhausted; that the occasional discovery of new deposits cannot long postpone such a result, nor will it be delayed for any great number of years by any more scientific and thorough method of securing the treasure. California, it is believed, will prove no exception, in these respects, to other sections of the globe where surface gold has been found.

But the important question is, will the mountains of California be exhausted with her streams and valley? Will her rock gold give out with her alluvial deposits? According to Mr. Colton, 'the gold-bearing quartz is the sheet anchor at which the whole argosy rides.' The gold rocks of Georgia and Virginia yield, on an average, less than half a cent to the pound, and yet the profits are sufficient to justify deep mining. The California quartz, found on the surface in the foot range of the Sierra Nevada, yields from one to three dollars the pound. According to Mr. T. Butler King and the California member of Congress, Mr. Whight, this quartz occupies a broad continuous vein, and is quite inexhaustible. From this opinion, Mr. Colton dissents: but the only reason he assigns tor this dissent is, that it is difficult to believe, that Nature, with all her affection for California, has been so prodigal of her gifts. Mr. Colton should have borne in mind that an ounce of fact is worth a whole ton of speculation in a case like this.

An estimate in the New Orleans True Delta in regard to the probable productiveness of the mines the present year, seems to be based upon just calculations. Making all due allowance for over sanguine predictions, discarding all quartz stories, and problematical assurances, and helping strictly on facts known to every body, the Delta estimates the product this year at half a million dollars per day, or fifteen millions per month of thirty days. This is allowing to each miner the very moderate average of five dollars per day. It is estimated that there are at this time over one hundred thousand able-bodied men engaged in the mining business. But of these it must be remembered that many are foreigners, and that but a portion of the gold will find its way to the United States. Assuming, however, the facts mentioned, the product of gold for the season beginning the 1st of July last, and ending the 1st of next December, a period of five months, will be about seventy-five millions of dollars. And this enormous sum must not be assumed as the maximum of the capacities of this auriferous region! [Bost. Trans.

TRAVEL.—The amount of travel passing through this city at present is almost incredible. All the great thoroughfares, east, west, north and south, are crowded daily by the currents of business and pleasure tourists while every hotel in the city is thronged to a plethoric excess. In most of the large hotels there is hardly a room to be had, and scores of travellers are every day whirling from one to the other in a vain endeavor to find resting-places for the soles of their feet. The arrivals at the Astor and Irving Houses are from 200 to 300 daily.[—Tribune, 22d Aug.

Why is a newly opened dry goods store like a house on fire? Because it starts all the belles of the city.

A LADY ASTRONOMER.—Miss Mitchell, of Nantucket, the distinguished lady astronomer, was unanimously elected a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

JONES' GRAND REAL ESTATE LOTTERY.

The largest Real Estate Lottery ever held in the United States—of 500 Lots, with the Improvements, in the city of San Francisco.

500 *Prizes of One Lot each.*

THE LOTS and Improvements vary in value from the capital Prize of $50,000 down. The property is divided into Four Thousand shares or tickets of $100 each, so that on an average *one in every eight shares* is almost certain of drawing some one of the prizes.

The plan of Drawing will be as follows, viz: The last drawn number will be entitled to the *highest prize;* the number drawn next to the last will be entitled to the next highest prize, an so on, to the number of Twelve of the highest prizes. The other 488 prizes will be drawn indiscriminately from one glass wheel, while the numbers of the tickets are drawn from another wheel against them, so that when the number of a ticket is drawn, the tickets drawn from the other will contain the description of the lot which the holder of the ticket is entitled to, or some other equally simple mode will be adopted.

The drawing will be in public, so that the ticket holders may see that it is properly conducted.

The lots are the property of Dr. Elbert P. Jones, he having acquired most of them several years since. The titles are indisputable. Warrantee titles with possession will be given immediately after the drawing. The taxes of every description have been paid on all this property, so that the fortunate drawers will have their lots free of all those charges for one year.

The whole property is put up at a remarkably low cash valuation, as the water lots, with eight or ten others in the list are worth the whole amount of the money.

The locality of a portion of the lots will be found below. Full catalogues and plans may be seen at our Auction Room, 276 Montgomery street, viz:

Lot in block corner of California and Kearny streets, 57½ feet front by 137½ feet deep, with the large splendid three story banking house and improvements, now occupied by E. P. Jones.

Lot with warehouse on Washington street between Montgomery and Sansome streets, front on Washington st 28 ft by 80 ft deep, with an L 20 by 45 ft, fronts on Jones alley.

Lot on corner Pacific and Battery sts; 4 lots adjoining on Pacific st, all piled and capped ready for buildings.

2 lots on Battery st, adjoining the above, next to the new Iron Custom house.

2 lots south of iron custom house.

Lots on Broadway near Sansome street.

do	Montgomery,	corner of	Broadway.
do	do	do	Green
do	Kearny	do	do
do	do	do	Union
do	do	do	Filbert
do	Dupont	do	Pacific
do	do	do	California
do	do	do	Pine
do	Stockton	do	Sacramento
do	do	do	Pine
do	Sacramento		
do	Clay st.		

Those two splendid 50 vara lots bounded by Sansome, Battery and Greenwich sts, being the most valuable water property in the city.

Lots on North Beach well situated for business purposes or dwellings.

The balance of the lots are also eligibly situated. For further particulars and the purchase of shares apply to

Kendig, Wainwright & Co.,
Agents for E. P. Jones, 276 Montgomery street. o2

RACING STOCK and Stud Horse.—The Proprietor, at the suggestion of several gentlemen, offers the following thorough-bred racing stock for disposal by lottery, to be drawn on TUESDAY, the 15th day of October next, at the Delmonico, at 10 o'clock, A. M.:

The Black Swan, Lady Clifton and foal, own sister to the stud horse Chloroform; and the stud horse Chloroform.

260 tickets at $25 each—three prizes.

For tickets application to be made to T. Behrens, merchant, Montgomery st.
o1 3tew

CONSTABLE SALE.—In suit F. C. Hugog vs. ship Constellation.—By virtue of execution issued from Wm. M. Heffman's Court, I shall offer for sale ship Constellation, her tackle, apparel, &c. on Friday, Oct. 18th, at 12 o'clock, M. at J. L. Riddle & Co's auction store.

Wm. Cummings, Constable.
San Francisco, Oct. 8th, 1850. o9 3t

D GIBB, Importer and Commission Merchant, Brick building, Central Wharf, San Francisco.

Drafts for sale on Messrs. Watson, Thompson & Co, Glasgow, payable in London; Messrs. John Thomson, Watson & Co, Valparaiso. o1 3m

J H. Blood & Co., Commission Merchants and Ship Agents. Office northwest corner Clay and Montgomery sts. up stairs. o1 3m

W. SCHLEIDEN,
Ship and Custom House Broker,
Montgomery street, opposite the Custom-house, or at his house in Broadway, between Dupont and Stockton streets. o4

CHILI FLOUR—Fresh Chili Flour afloat, for sale, in lots to suit purchasers, by

Carroll & McDowell,
Montgomery street, next to Ross' brick building. o1 1m

DAVIS & CO., Hardware, Housekeeping and Furnishing store, Washington street, between Montgomery and Sansome sts, have on hand, and are constantly receiving the following articles, viz:

Chandeliers, hanging lamps, side lamps, table lamps, solar lamps, Dixon & Son's britannia ware, britannia candlesticks, do tea and coffee urns, block tin coffee urns, French coffee pots, spice boxes, nut crackers, grocers tea chests, masons trowels, cocoa dippers, nut picks, scrub brusher, wash boards, planes, cedar tubs, pails, etc.; copper and blued tacks, door locks and bolts, hammers and hatchets, circular saws, mandrills and mortice machines, first rate article; turning lathes, spittoons, copper, brass, and pewter faucets, champagne openers, a new article; sardine do, do do; 120 lbs spring balances, coffin plates and plated screws, patent cots, tea bells, newspaper files, whisk brooms, etc., etc., swivel lamps, for ships and steamers; plated castors, 5, 6, and 7 bottles, silver and plated forks and silver tea and table spoons, for sale very low. Very fine boots and shoes, ladies shoes, Lemuel Gilbert's boudoir piano forte, one pair of splendid mirrors, bronzed iron hat racks, with chairs of the same; marble top centre tables, with iron pedestals, splendid gilt curtain, ornaments with clasps, bronzed and gilt candle brackets to fold, very fine cutlery in mahogany cases, egg-beaters, gold watches, double and single cases, gold guard and vest chains, diamond pins and rings. The jewelry will be sold cheap for cash. Beer pumps, plated with marble bases, with all the fixings, britannia beer mugs, hydraulic rams. Also, fresh pickled oysters, warranted, lobsters in cans, chickens do, pickles of all kinds, painted wash basins, etc., etc.

We are receiving constantly from one of the largest hardware and house furnishing establishments and tool warehouse in the United States. A full assortment of the above articles, which we offer for sale, wholesale and retail, at very low rates. Drafts on New York for sale. Gold dust bought, shipped and insured by

Davis & Co.,
o1 1m Washington street, near Sansome.

NEW YORK HAT Emporium.—The Branch establishment of WM. H. BEEBEE & Co.'s New York Hat Emporium, is located on Commercial street, and is now prepared to furnish gentlemen with every style of Hats of the best quality, and at the lowest California prices.

A practical hatter, Mr. O. H. Boyd, from the New York House, is always to be found on hand for the purpose of dressing gentlemen's hats after the latest styles.

A complete assortment of Gentlemen's furnishing and fancy goods constantly for sale.

T. P. Everitt, Agent,
o1 1m Commercial street.

LOANS—Cash advanced on bond and mortgage sales; purchases and exchanges of real estate effected; city scrip and state scrip bought and sold, or loans made thereon, the highest price being paid for either; approved commercial bills cashed at the lowest rate; temporary advances made on every kind of convertible security; gold dust bought; rents and notes collected; and all kinds of monetary operations effected with promptitude and dispatch.

F. Marriott & Co.,
Real Estate Agents and Loan Brokers, etc., Office opposite Burgoyne's banking house, Montgomery street. o1 1m

BUSINESS LOTS—On Central Wharf, near the head of the extension, piled and capped for building. Also, on Sacramento and Front streets, and the Central wharf basin, an excellent piled and capped lot. Lots on Clay street, between Davis & Front streets. To sell or lease, apply to A. O. Gay,
or Hervey G. Gordon,
Attorney and Counsellor at law, Wells & Co. Building, corner Clay and Montgomery streets. o2 2w*

NOTICE to all whom it may concern.—All persons having claims against the estate of George Harlan, deceased, are hereby requested to present them to the undersigned at his residence, near the Mission of San Jose, within ten months from the date hereof, or else be debarred, according to law; and those indebted to said estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, as above, or proceedings at law will be promptly instituted.

H. C. Smith, Administrator.
San Jose, Oct. 5, 1850. o5 1m

SIGHT DRAFTS on New York, London, Amsterdam, and other principal cities of the United States and Europe, for sale by

Gildemeester, de Fremery & Co,
Howison's wharf, foot of Sacramento street. o1 1m

FULTON MARKET—The subscribers respectfully inform their friends and the public that they have opened the above market in Kearny near Jackson street, where they intend to keep a full supply of choice meats of every kind, and hope by strict attention to their business to merit a share of public patronage.

o5 6t Mahoney & Finlay.

STORESHIP WM. GRAY—Storage on this storeship at the lowest rates. Apply to

J. Cowell & Co.
corner of Jackson and Sansome sts.
or Henry D. McCobb,
on board, foot of Battery st, near Buckelew's wharf. o1 1m

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DAILY PACIFIC NEWS.

THURSDAY MORNING, OCT. 10, 1850.

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☞ The Office of Publication is on the second story of the building, in Montgomery street, occupied by Payne & Sherwood, Auctioneers, where advertisements and communications may be left. The management of th business of the establishment will be under the charge of Mr. A. SKILLMAN.

☞ Thompson & Hitchcock, agents of Gregory's Express, corner of Wall and Pearl streets, New York, are authorized to receive advertisements and subscriptions for the Pacific News.

AGENTS FOR THE PACIFIC NEWS.—Col. Joseph Grant is an Agent for Sacramento City and the valley above.

D. H. Mason, Esq. will hereafter act for us in San Jose, to whom subscriptions may be paid.

THE FOREIGN MINER'S TAX.

Some of the papers in the States, and particularly the New York Police Gazette, have denounced the act passed by the last Legislature, imposing a tax of twenty dollars per month upon the foreign miners, as a species of "senseless, besotted, and arbitrary legislation." We have no disposition to defend the act in itself as right and judicious, but we do say it was a measure prompted, and in a great degree, called for, by the exigences of the times. The State Treasury was bankrupt; its credit none of the best; the people were looking to the Legislature to devise ways and means to pay the outstanding debts, and furnish the necessary funds to carry on the State Government. A long time must elapse before a system of taxes upon real and personal estate could be properly prepared and put in execution, and in the mean time money must be had, or the creditors of the State, including the Legislature itself, must be paid in depreciated warrants that would hardly buy a dinner for a hungry man—certainly not, if any change were required in return.

In this emergency, for the lack of a more feasible plan, the tax upon foreigners working the mines was suggested, canvassed, and perhaps without the necessary forethought, passed to a law. Thus far it might have been regarded as well enough, but the great error was in the *amount* sought to be collected of each. Twenty dollars per month was an enormous tax, and although in some locations, even that sum, large as it was, has been paid, it defeated the very object sought to be attained. Two hundred and forty dollars per year for the privilege of slaving in the mines, enriching California, and through her the entire Atlantic states while they secured a share for themselves, was asking *too much* of poor human nature. Had the tax been five dollars per month—or twenty-five dollars a year, it would have been cheerfully paid in nine cases out of ten; the state would have accomplished the object intended; her treasuary would have been plentifully supplied, and depreciated evidences of debt paid at par.

Thus much we feel ourselves bound to say in defence of the action of the last Legislature in levying the foreign miner's tax. The emergency of the case demanded that something should be done to replenish an exhausted treasury, and if an error was committed, it only remains for the succeeding Legislature to undo, in this matter, what was done with the best intentions and honest purposes. There was no "besotted, senseless legislation" about it, but straightforward work, with the design of benefitting the temporary as well as the permanent residents of our golden State.

MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT.—Four young men, named Walter, Thomas and Richard Plunkett, brothers, and a friend whose name we did not learn, started in a small sail-boat yesterday morning, for Rincon Point, to go on board a vessel lying there. On their way down the boat was capsized, and Walter, aged 21 years, and Thomas, aged 12, were drowned. The other two were picked up by boats from vessels. The bodies of those drowned have not yet been recovered. Their parents reside on North Beach.

THE "SALT RIVER" EXPEDITION.—The trip to the Farallones has been postponed for the present, in consequence of the capsizing of the Omnibus containing the pilots. The passengers, too, from the direction anticipated, were not as numerous, on the day of sailing, as was generally expected, and in view of these facts, and sundry disasters not necessary to mention, the sailing of the expedition is indefinitely postponed.

THE COLLECTOR.

Col. Collier, the collector of the port of San Francisco, publishes a card in yesterday's *Courier*, in which he denies that the Treasury Department has promulgated any different instructions in regard to goods arriving here via the Isthmus, than is contained in a circular issued by the Secretary of the Treasury on the 27th of February last. We have no desire to do Mr. Collier the least injustice, but at the same time would suggest that there must have been some ground for the paragraph, or it would not have found its way into a paper as careful and generally correct in its statements, as is the N. Y. Evening Post. We copied the paragraph from that paper as a matter of news.

In regard to the other article named by the *Courier*, headed 'California Frauds,' we have only to refer the editor and the collector to the source from which we extracted it—the N. Y. *Tribune*. It was given upon *whig* authority, and as it is a party matter, we propose to let the party settle it amongst themselves. How far the collector is censurable, we do not undertake to say. Public officers are always charged with more than they are guilty of, in addition to their sins of commission; and in the deranged state of public affairs here, we do not wonder that Col. Collier comes in for a round share of suspicion. However, for giving currency to these rumors, he must make an official tilt at the Tribune editor.

The *Courier* is mistaken in its reading of the sentence referring to Hon. John A. Collier. It does not say the office of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury was refused *to* this gentleman, but *by* him. With these explanations we leave the collector and his organ to cook up matters to suit themselves.

THE MAN WHO WOULD VOTE.—On the day of the election, a man considerably the worse for electioneering potations, presented himself at one of the polls and offered his vote, which was challenged. Without taking the usual oath the voter left in high dudgeon, and probably indulged still deeper in the sparkling god. The next morning, however, he awoke soberly to the truth that he had not exercised the glorious rights of a freeman, and immediately set to work to remedy the omission. Going to one poll, he found it closed, and the inpectors counting the ballots, in which he wished to have his own included. On being refused, a wag suggested that the other polls might still be open, and away he tramped in the sun and dust, until he visited all, even to the Mission, and came back cursing the inspectors and every one else because his vote had been refused, and he deprived of his rights as one of "the sovereign people." The candidates should see that such a man votes *early* on election day.

A MISTAKE CORRECTED.—In order to relieve our friend and respected fellow-citizen, Gen. Wilson, from the annoyances of Whig office-seekers, who labor under the impression that *he* is the appointed successor of Col. Collier, we will state that it is *another* General of the same name, but hailing from a different section of the Union. Applicants for clerk and inspectorships will therefore be excused from forming a line upon the Plaza, as they do at the post-office on the arrival of a mail, with their petitions, endorsements, and letters of recommendation, ready open for perusal by the General.

NEW EXPRESS LINE.—The business of expressing between California and the States, must be a profitable one. In addition to the old lines, a new candidate for public confidence and favor, is announced this morning, A. B. Miller & Co. proprietors. The agents in this city are Messrs. Kelsey, Smith & Risley, gentlemen who give character to the undertaking. They pledge themselves to accomplish all business entrusted to them with the utmost dispatch.

LITIGATION.—A great deal of property and money changes hands daily in the business of our Courts. Bags of silver and gold are carried to and from our City Hall as regularly as from a great mart, or a money Exchange. "Ill blows the wind that profits nobody;" and we suppose that some one is profitted by all this. "The beaten pay the fine," says the French proverb. And we suppose it is so here.

☞ John H. Still of the News Depot, in the St. Francis building, has been appointed sole agent for the "Cincinnati Dollar Weekly Commercial."

☞ The strings of a brandy sling are among the latest curiosities received from the States.

SUPERIOR COURT.—Before Associate Justice Murray, October 9.

The case of Melhado, Gunter et al vs. Mayor Geary and Sheriff Hays, occupied the Court and Jury all day, and stands adjourned till 9 A. M. tomorrow, (Thursday.) The importance of this suit excites considerable interest, and it is to be hoped that justice will be done in the premises.

Before Judge Morse. Several suits were tried, the Court sitting as jury.

DISTRICT COURT.—Judge Parsons, October 9.

B. Blackburn vs. bark Surprise.—Judgment by default set aside, and leave to answer.

E. W. Farnham vs. J. S. Ruckle. Judgment by default.

H. G. Gordon vs. J. W. Finley.—Default final for $288,75, with interest at 5 per cent. per month.

Same vs. A. W. Adams.—Same for $713,33.

Clark & Poore vs. Steamer Gold Hunter.—Nonsuit.

John W. Geary vs. Simmons, Hutchinson & Co.—Judgment by default final vs. Wm. H. Stowell for $56,000, with 5 per cent. per month.

Harriet Shober vs. Wm. M. Card. Final decision signed. Judgment final judgment for $1351 92, with 5 per cent a month.

R. S. Door vs. Hart & Selover. Not concluded.

RECORDER'S COURT.—Hon. F. Tilford presiding.

City of San Francisco vs H. Marsh and John G. Love. Drunk and disorderly. Discharged.

Same vs John Arentrue. Assault. Dismissed at complainant's request.

State vs. J. Hughes and Peter M'Kenzie. Robbery. Continued till to-morrow.

State vs Henry Van Rensellaer. Larceny; dismissed, complainant not appearing.

Same vs. H. Andrews. Same charge; held under advisement.

Same vs. Samuel James. Same; discharged.

Same vs. Andrew Fisher. Same; continued.

Same vs. Thos. K. Ross. Bail, $500.

☞ The seat of government of California is to be removed from San Jose to Eureka, which is situated twenty miles from San Francisco, en route to Sacramento. The U. S. Naval Depot is to be situated near the same spot.—[Exchange paper.

☞ We have met the above in half a dozen exchange papers from the states, and although a matter of no especial importance, we notice it so far as to say that the seat of government has *not* been removed from San Jose, and in all probability *will* not be, even though a majority of the votes cast should be construed into an expression in favor of any particular locality. The question will have to be submitted to the Legislature, and passed by a two thirds vote, if the locality is changed. So that "Eureka" and several other beautifully *mapped* cities and towns, must depend upon their own advantages for assuming an importance that the location of the seat of government would give them at once.

THE NEW JAIL.—For some time past, excavations and blasting rocks have been going on in Broadway, between Dupont and Kearney streets, with the object, we understand, of erecting a jail. This is very much needed. The "Prison Brig" is extremely inconvenient, besides being unfit for the object: and the lock-up under the City Hall, which usually admits about thirty prisoners a week, is every way ill-suited to keeping them as they ought to be.

We hope to see the completion of the county jail hastened. Some blocks of granite are already on the spot, but at the present rate of progress it will be some months after all the streets are planked, before the jail will be finished.

HARBOR MASTER.—The office of Harbor Master is one of importance to the city, and upon the faithful discharge of its duties depends the harmony of our shipping arrangements. The present incumbent will no doubt fill the office with credit, though we regretted to see him running upon the independent ticket. Had his name been upon the regularly nominated democratic ticket, as it should have been, we should have rendered it cheerful support. However, we don't know but that he will make just as good an officer, notwithstanding!

☞ Macondray & Co. corner of Sansome and Pine streets, have just received a large invoice of China goods.

CHOLERA.—A case of genuine Asiatic cholera in its most malignant form, is said to have occurred at Whitehall

☞ We find the following paragraph going the rounds of the papers in the states. We have no recollection of any such occurrence as is referred to, and the probability is, that it is a fine fiction, or at least having little foundation. The papers in the states ascertain and give currency to a thousand things about California, that are never heard of here. Has any one any knowledge of the truth of the following?

Arrested for Murder.—We learn that a merchant was arrested, at Fall River, Columbia county, a few days since, on the charge of murder, committed in California some two years ago. It is alleged that this man and two others now in Illinois, murdered an entire family in California, about the time named, after having robbed them of $50,000! The arrest at Fall River, was made by officers from California, and the prisoners hurried out of the state with all despatch.

QUITE AN ERROR.—The letter writers from California, sometimes tell wonderful stories, according to the vividness of their imaginations, or their means of information. One *hombre*, whose effusions find a place in the Cincinnati Commercial, states that printers get $4,50 per thousand ems; this is quite a mistake. The highest price ever paid was $2.50, and that is now reduced to $2. Such statements induce men in the states to leave good situations, and immigrate, in hopes of doing better, and arrive here only to find prices much below those named, and the offices generally filled with workmen. Correspondents cannot be too careful in writing statements for the public eye at home.

GOLD IN OREGON.—We learn from a gentleman who arrived in the Marion yesterday morning, from Astoria, that gold in considerable quantities had been found on Queen Charlotte's Island, a short distance north of Vancouver's Island. This statement may be implicitly relied on, as it comes from the chief factor of the Hudson Bay Company.

We are also informed that over 600 wagons, with emigrants, had passed the Dall's, the present season, on their way in, and that 1600 more had passed Fort Hall. The emigrants were generally of the better class, and supplied with provisions and funds, necessary for a permanent settlement.

DOLLARS.—One cannot go half a square in town at any time of day, without meeting some one with a heavy load of silver on his back or in his hand. We have no means of computing the immense amount of this 'hard currency' in circulation among us, but it must be several millions of dollars. The time and labor spent in counting and transporting these about in the various transactions of business, is very considerable, and forms not the least evil of a plethora of 'hard coin' and 'high prices' in a community. We are unable to see the good results of such a state of things.

BOLD ROBBERY.—Last eve about dusk some daring villain stole a piece of 4-4 oil cloth carpeting from in front of Messrs. Bragg & Whittemore's store. It being a particular pattern and having a private mark on it may possibly lead to the detection of the plunderers. This is another warning to keep a sharp lookout for suspicious characters who are prowling about.

THE PLAZA.—When is Portsmouth Square to be surrounded by a fence, as proposed by a resolution which passed the Common Council, "a long time ago?" We do not wish to interfere with the stabling and sleeping arrangements of those who now occupy the Square, but the public feel a little interested in knowing when they may expect that money to be expended for the purpose named.

☞ The Courier thinks the rumor about the appointment of a successor to the Collector is all 'bunkum.' This is a capital way of letting the Colonel fall easy. Decapitation is less painful where the victim is prepared for the process by his friends.

THE EUDORA.—Our informant was mistaken in saying that the propeller Eudora laid at Acapulco when the Carolina left. She sailed from that port for this on the 25th ult., and her arrival may be expected daily.

THANKS.—Hon. E. G. Spaulding, won. L. Burrows, and L. Bess, Esq., will accept our thanks for Congressional papers and documents by last mail from Washington.

AN ERROR.—The vote for Mr. Tracy in the 2d District, was 333, instead of 325, making his aggregate in the country, 1197.

Editors of the Pacific News:

We have observed in your paper of yesterday an article over the signature of Lieut. Bartlett, of the surveying schooner Ewing, in which the writer styles the version of the transaction between Capt. McArthur and Levi Scott, as given in our report of the 6th ult. "a base and slanderous publication against the character of a distinguished public officer." A few words in explanation may not be amiss.

When we arrived at the mouth of Umpqua, in the Samuel Roberts, we met there, as we stated in the said report, this Levi Scott, who had come down to meet the Ewing by appointment made in the Columbia river. He mistook our schooner for the Ewing, and as the latter vessel was not punctual to the day named, and as Capt. Scott saw that the object of his visit was more likely to be attained by accompanying us than by waiting for the Ewing, he took passage with us up the river. There is no doubt, whatever may have been the *intended* understanding on the part of Capt. McArthur, that Mr. Scott expected to pay $1000 to the officers of the Ewing. Whether this was for services to be performed in the river itself, over and above the duties enjoined by the instructions to Capt. McArthur, or for the survey of the harbor merely, he may not have distinctly understood, ignorant as he undoubtedly was, both of the instructions to the Ewing, and of the nature of naval service generally. Lieut. Bartlett acknowledges that Capt. McArthur told Scott "that inasmuch as there was no appropriation provided by government for surveying the Umpqua it would be best for the individuals interested on that river not to wait the action of the government but to do it themselves,"—"that he (Capt. McArthur) would show him where buoys should be placed to make the bar and river accessible to commerce," and that "he could probably so expend a thousand dollars judiciously." Now it seems to us very probable that Scott, with his limited knowledge of marine and naval affairs, and in the absence of any one else competent to do the work, understood that Capt. McArthur was to place these buoys and perform the survey, and that the money was to be paid him for so doing; especially (and he alluded expressly to what Capt. McArthur told him) because government had provided no funds for that object. That the money was to be paid somehow in connection with the Ewing's entrance and survey of the river, was certainly expected by Mr. Scott, for we learned incidentally from a disinterested party, that he had borrowed $700 of an individual in the valley for this express purpose. And we would much prefer to believe that a Missourian, totally unacquainted with the nature of such business, had misunderstood the officers of the Ewing, than to condemn as a "deliberate liar" an old man who certainly appeared to enjoy the reputation of honesty and integrity, and could certainly have had no possible motive to malign the characters of the very men on whose co-operation he had relied in carrying out his favorite project.

Be this as it may, however, we do not wish to be considered as a party to the transaction. We recorded the statement just as we received it from Mr. Scott and his neighbors, with whom it lays to prove it, and had not the report been general through the valley, and corroborated through incidental testimony, we certainly should not have noticed it. We probably would have been more cautious had we been better acquainted with the gentleman referred to, and had not a long residence in California convinced us that "clean hands and a pure heart" are not always the distinguishing attributes of our public officers. We regret, however, that a circumstance so trifling in itself, and to which we are neutral, should have placed us in even apparent opposition to the officers of the Ewing. They have placed us, in common with all others interested in the coasting trade, under lasting obligations by their late discoveries and observations, and we are as willing to place entire confidence in their every assertion in regard to this little affair, as we are to trust the work they have so faithfully performed. With sentiments of the highest respect towards them, and a sincere hope that the question at issue may be permitted to pass into oblivion, without further notice,

We are yours truly,
WINCHESTER, PAINE & CO.

VETOED.—Mayor Bigelow, of Sacramento, has vetoed the bill passed by the common council, to give themselves some $200 a month.

FROM SACRAMENTO.

By Last Night's Boat.

We find in the Transcript the returns of Monday's election from four precincts, viz: Council Room, Court House, (Sac. City) Negro Bar, and Mormon Island. From these we gather the following aggregate votes for the several candidates:

Attorney General—J. A. McDougal 904. E. B. Cone 953, J. D. Mumford 587.

Clerk of Supreme Court—E. H. Tharp 1372, J. F. Morse 721.

Superintendent of Public Instruction.—E. P. Tracy, 20; J. S. Nooney, 328; C. W. Butterfield, 946; R. S. Huddart, 67; E. B. Bateman, 317; B. Brierly, 357; J. G. Marvin, 60.

District Attorney—M. S. Latham, 1542; W. C. Wallace, 1008.

Senator—H. E. Robinson, 1066; W. E. Shannon, 721; J. H. McCune, 752.

Assembly—John Bigler, 880; E. W. McKinstry, 288; C. E. Thorn, 237; F. W. Thayer, 599; W. G. Deal, 513; M. Walthal, 299; L. F. Dunlap, 903; E. Waller, 521; E. B. Sundy, 147; J. M. Mackenzie, 205; J. L. Meredith, 645; B. Lyons, 384; T. M. Broder, 93; A. D. Patterson, 148; J. Carrico, 757; C. Robinson, 712; T. Spikens, 204.

State Capital.—Vallejo, 1065; San Jose, 31.

The Transcript adds: "In addition to the above we have returns from the Ten Mile House, for candidates for the Assembly, which give Bigler, 65, Thayer, 11, Deal, 2, Waller, 28, Lyons, 1, Patterson, 78, Carrioo, 55, Chas, Robinson, 53.

SAN JOAQUIN DISTRICT.—The result for Senator in this District is yet uncertain. From a gentleman who left Stockton at 4 o'clock on Tuesday, that Mr. Van Buren's chances were regarded as the best, though the vote was likely to be close.

The vote for Mr. McDougal, the Democratic candidate for Attorney General is very large, as also that for Mr. Tharpe. The Democrats have probably elected the two members of Assembly.

PHILADELPHIA MORALS.—Papers in the States have always had a great deal to say about the morals of the people of California—the gambling, fights, murders, &c.; but the following from the Pennsylvanian, shows that Philadelphia, so far from being the "City of Brotherly Love," is not far ahead of California in point of morals:

"When are we to rise in the morning without finding that some citizen, probably some dear friend, has been murdered in cold blood by the midnight assassin? The character of our whole people is affected by these awful atrocities, and the business of Philadelphia cannot fail to be impaired unless something is done to arrest this dreadful scourge. Venice in her darkest days—Spain with her Inquisition—even France under the reign of Terror—was hardly more disgraced, than is Philadelphia, when the age in which we live is considered. We know not what to suggest, but the disease is one that demands a prompt and drastic remedy."

A REMINISCENCE OF GEN TAYLOR.—A Washington correspondent of the Buffalo Commercial, speaking of the death of General Taylor, in a conversation with the Hon. Humphrey Marshall, of Kentucky, when the following was related by that gentleman: A little over a year ago, General Taylor, on his way to Washington, called at my house, in Kentucky, which is in the same district where his relatives live. In the course of the conversation, he said, "Well, Marshall, they killed General Harrison, at Washington, in one month, and my wife says they'll kill me in a year; but I think after standing Mexico I can stand Washington." Now it seems that Mrs. Taylor was right. He has been here but little over a year.

PLACER TIMES.—Messrs. E. Gilbert & Co. have disposed of their interest in this establishment to Messrs. Lawrence, Pickering & Co. It will still maintain a neutral position, politically, and will no doubt receive, as it merits, a satisfactory share of the business of Sacramento.

JEU D'ESPRIT.—A correspondent of the Washington Union, a member of Congress, furnishes the following pleasant hit at a late protest in the United States Senate:

California, let it seem as strange as it will,
Although with the riches of Ophir invested,
Has proved quite unable to prevent the first "bill"
That was drawn in her favor from being "protested."

The attempt to light Schenectady with red-headed girls has been abandoned, but the girls have not.

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ol [illegible] some street.

☞ The New York Day Book in speaking of the freaks of fortune, says: There is a man in that city who has seen some fifty summers, of a good figure and commanding stature, who drives a Waverly omnibus and who has actually grown gray in the service. He commenced this occupation in March, 1833, now more than seventeen years past, and has pursued it most of the time since. His father was a wealthy upholster for many years in Maiden Lane, and now he is a rich retired old gentleman, highly respectable, on Long Island. The son is a man of fine capacity, has a more than ordinary intellect, and is handsomely educated. His fast living for a while pretty rapidly dissolved two moderate fortunes, which, with some family disagreements, had the effect of estrangement between himself and his father. All ill feeling is now over.

His father has given him $40,000, a small portion of what he doubtless will receive, the interest of which he draws as he desires and appropriates as he likes. He lives with his family in a snug cottage in 22d street, in a quiet way, still following his profession of stage driving because he likes it, because it is his pastime, because he earns his living by it, and not from compulsion. Many of the ten thousand passengers who ride in that excellent line have doubtless remarked this extraordinary man, with his piercing black eye, his long black hair, now mixed with white, his brown face, his tall and rather slender figure, his broad brimmed hat and the rapidity of his movements; his stage passengers little thinking that they were thrusting their sixpences into the fingers that had at their command $40,000.

☞ The New Orleans Delta tells the following story of the kidnapping of a white man: The usually quiet little village of Algiers was quite stirred up by a curious affair which occurred there on Saturday last. A man named Hall, a negro trader, went across the river in pursuit of a light mulatto slave, who had escaped from his master in North Carolina. On inquiring of some mischievous negro for a person of the description of him he was in pursuit of, Hall was pointed to an individual of dark complexion, who sat in the bar room of Sallat & Rivoil. Approaching him, Hall asked sportively, to see his wrist, and while making some remarks about his shirt sleeves, slipped a pair of handcuffs on his arms, and then commenced dragging him towards the river. The poor fellow; thus unceremoniously treated, who proved to be a well known French or Creole citizen of Algiers, of the name of Hippolite Lieutaud, immediately raised a cry for help, and a crowd gathered around them. 'Come along,' cried Hall, 'I know you well; you belong to Colonel ——, of North Carolina.' '*Je ne suis pas un naigre*" exclaimed the poor Frenchman, quite lustily, appealing to his friends in the crowd to substantiate his averment. Here the crowd interfered, and a a constable coming up, both parties, Hippolite and his would-be abductor, were lodged in prison. Hippolite, however, was released after a while, and Hall was retained under a complaint for kidnapping under the late act of the Legislature. This is certainly a strange affair, and ought to be investigated. People seem to think that there are no laws in this country, and that every man can make himself judge, jury, sheriff, and executive, whenever he desires.

INCREDIBLE LEAP.—One of the most extraordinary feats on record, says the Pottsville Emporium, was performed on Friday evening last, by a small sorrel mare, belonging to Mr. Zimmerman, livery stable keeper, in Minersville. Lebbeus Hughes, son of E. Hughes, Esq., aged about 12 years, was riding the mare, when she became frightened and ran away with him; she ran up the railroad to where it crosses Wolf creek, just above the shop of Mr. Wm. De Haven, at which point the plank had been removed from the bridge for a space of about twenty-five feet. Here, as if fearful of attempting the leap, she stopped suddenly for a moment, and then gathering all her energies, cleared the space at a single bound. We would hardly believe such a feat possible, had it not been witnessed by several persons, who immediately measured the distance jumped, and found it to be twenty-seven feet! Neither horse nor rider were injured by the wonderful exploit.

JENNY LIND.

Not sweeter sang the Birds in Eden,
Than this fair Nightingale of Sweden,
The only diff'rence 'twixt the two, lies here—
Their notes were gratis, *her's* are very dear.—[Evening Post.

A woman living near Little Falls, N. Y., lately gave birth to five babes, all boys, and all of whom, with their mother, are doing well.

☞ Some one calls the time of squeezing the girl's hands, the "palmy season of life."

A facetious friend says that dancing women wear their dresses at half-mast, as a mark of respect to departparted modesty.

PASSENGERS—Per Marian—M K Smith, F G Hibler.

CONSIGNEES—Per Marian—B Reynolds.

Per W F Collis—Capt Garvey.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

CLEARED.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 9.

Ship Harriett Rockwell, Thomas, Launceston.

Brig Regia, Johnson, S Islands.

Schr Eagle, Eddy, San Diego.

ARRIVED.

Brig Marian, Lane, 5 ds from Astoria, Oregon, pass, to B Reynolds.

Schr W F Collis, Garvy, 6 hours fm Bodega Bay, to master.

MEMORANDA.

The brig Reindeer, which left this port a few days since for the wreck of the brig Frolic, returned yesterday, having been unsuccessful in finding it.

☞ GREGORY'S EXPRESS, per steamers Columbus and Carolina.—Gold Dust forwarded and insured, to all parts of the States, will be received until 5 P. M., on Tuesday the 14th; other parcels up to the hour of sailing.

Drafts at sight in large or small sums on our agents, Messrs. Thompson & Hatchcock's, office corner of Wall and Pearl sts. New York.

Persons having parcels or treasure to forward by this Express, can deposit the same for safety (without charge) in our fire proof vault.

Office 280 Montgomery street (formerly Naglees Banking house.)

o7 Joseph W. Gregory, Proprietor.

☞ SCHOONER CAMILLA, for New Zealand and Hobart Town.—Passengers by this vessel are requested to be on board on SUNDAY next, the 13th Oct., instant; as she sails positively on Monday next.

o10 WM. HART, Agent.

☞ CONSIGNEE of 20 boxes stores, mk'd B in diamond, No 1 to 20, shipped on board ship Persia by Blodget, Clark & Brown, consigned to order, will call on the undersigned, pay freight and receive the same, on or before the 10th inst, or they will be sold to pay freight. WOOD & WEST.

corner of Sansome and Washington sts.

San Francisco, Oct. 4, 1850. o9 3t*

☞ BRIG VIRGINIA, from Providence, R. I Consignees per this vessel are requested to apply to subscribers for orders to receive their merchandise. All articles uncalled for within the time per bills of lading, will be sold for account of whom concerned.

Wm. H. Mosher & Co.

o9 10t B. Miner's building, Washington st.

☞ SHIP VICTORIA.—CONSIGNEES by this ship are hereby notified that she is now ready to discharge, and are requested to call and pay their freight and receive orders for their goods. CHARLES MINTURN, Ag't

o9 tf Cunningham's wharf.

☞ Ship HINDOO, from New York—Consignees by this vessel are hereby notified that she will be ready to discharge cargo on Wednesday, 9th inst. They are requested to make payment of freight and receive orders for delivery of goods, in conformity with bills of lading.

Turner, Fish & Co.,

o8 6t Sansome, near Jackson st.

☞ BARK BOHEMIA, Capt. Lollin, from Philadelphia, is ready to discharge. Consignees by this vessel are requested to call at the office, pay their freight, and receive an order for their goods.

J. B. THOMAS,

City Steam Mills, foot of Jackson st.

For sale at the above place a handsome assortment of French col'd engravings in rosewood and gilt frames from the Philadelphia Art Union, suitable for a public house.

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☞ NOTICE—Masters of vessels requiring Pilots outward, or wishing to settle pilotage bills, will please call at the office corner of Montgomery and California streets opposite the Custom House, or at Charles Minturn's office of steamer Senator, Clark's Point. W. J. Burnside, } Agents.

o1 James Nelson. }

☞ SHIP MEMNON.—Capt. Gordon, from New York, is ready to discharge Consignees by this vessel are requested to call at the office of the subscriber, pay freight and receive an order for their goods. Terms of bills of lading will be strictly observed, as the ship must have dispatch.

F. A. SANFORD,

o1 1m foot Pine street.

☞ Fare Reduced for San Jose—From the Empire House—Messrs Ackley & Morrison, run a Daily Stage Coach, for the above place, at the reduced rate of $16 per single passenger. o1 tf

☞ Health Commissioner's Office—Dr John J. Thorp, Health Commissioner. Office in Iron Building, at the end of pier foot of Jackson street. o1 tf

REMOVAL—The Harbor Master's office has been this day removed to the second floor of the building on Cunningham's wharf, immediately opposite to the office of Charles Minturn, agent for steamers Senator and New World.

G. Simpton, Harbor Master.

October 9, 1850. o10 1w

AUCTION SALES.

WM. HART, Auctioneer.

By WM. HART & CO.

[279 *Montgomery street.*]

EX WATER LILLY.—W. Hart will sell on Monday next, at his rooms in Montgomery street,

70 boxes candles
4 tubs good butter
30 cheese in tins
29 bags white sugar
43 brown do
9 reams paper
11 kegs pickles
40 cases do
3 do soap
50 bags bran
4 rolls matting
6 kegs white lead
1 keg honey
6 boxes dried plants
2000 lbs jams
1 bale long boots
1 case Orleans cloth
1 bale blankets
1 do pilot cloth coats
1 do calicoes
1 do sheeting
6 cases ground coffee
20 kegs nails
1 cask chalk
1 do whiting
4 bales Kangaroo rugs and a variety of merchandize
10 hhds Martell's brandy
20 qr casks do
10 do Hennessey's do
19 do Calcutta punch
10 do annisced
10 do French cognac o19

STEAMER McKIM for sale—A fine boat for the Oregon or Southern coast trade. The commodious and popular steam propeller McKIM, in complete running order, together with new boilers and other machinery, daily expected to arrive from the United States, is offered for sale. Apply to

Everett & Co.,

o10 tf Howison's wharf.

TO ATTORNIES.—An Attorney who has recently arrived in this country from the States desires to associate himself with an Attorney at Law for the purpose of practising his profession. Reference as to respectability of character, &c., expected. Address T. B. C. through the Post Office. o10 3t*

LAFITTE Restaurant and Hotel.—The proprietor has re-established his Restaurant in De Boom's Lane, near his former establishment. The entry is by Kearny and Washington streets. A choice bill of fare, good waiters, and ready attendance will, he hopes, insure a continuance of the favors of his friends and the public in general. o10 2t*

COPARTNERSHIP.—Wm. C. Hoff has this day associated with him in business on Howison's pier, Mr. JAMES CLANNY, who has had a very extensive experience in the Ship Store business in the city of New York. The business hereafter will be conducted under the firm of HOFF & Co. The strictest attention will be paid to putting up ship stores, and of the very best quality and at the shortest notice. A liberal patronage is solicited. o10

TO LET—The Large Store 23 by 70 feet, finished and ready for occupancy, on the corner of Davis and Sacramento streets, and one of the best stands in this city for business. The lower floor and third story will be let together, or the whole will be let to one person, if desired. Inquire of

Wm. C. Hoff,

o10 at Hoff & Co., Howison's pier.

FLOUR.—Chili and American flour, constantly on hand and for sale by

J. J. Foucher & Co.,

o10 1w Clay street wharf.

JUST Received and Landing, ex schooner INDIANA, from Canton,

Crimson bandas
Scarlet do
do scarfs
Crimson do
Chow chow do
do bandas, very rich and heavy
White embroidered crape shawls
Scarlet do do
Crimson do do
Silver card cases
Rice paintings
Cigar boxes
Gold scales, assorted sizes, etc, etc.,

For sale by

o10 6t Macondray & Co.

THE UNITED STATES and California Express Company. Proprietors, A. B. MILLER & Co. For the safe and speedy transmission of packages, gold dust, &c., between San Francisco and the United States.

The parties connected with this Express are permanently located, and have been established for nearly two years on the Isthmus of Panama, and having hotels at Chagres, Cruces, Gorgona and Panama, are in constant communication between the Pacific and Atlantic steamers. Their extensive facilities (the most complete on the Isthmus,) enable them at all times and seasons to convey perfectly safe and with dispatch, everything entrusted to their care. This company have undertaken what their facilities enable them to perform, and their responsibility guarantees to the public.

Shipments by every steamer from San Francisco direct through to New York.

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Clay street, 2 doors from Montgomery, San Francisco. o10 1m

ISTHMUS HOTELS.—CHAGRES, CRUCES, GORGONA, and PANAMA.

The "Irving House," at Chagres, Wallace W. Williams, assisted by Hugh Miller.

The "Panama Rail Road Hotel," at Gorgona, under the management of A. B. Miller and J. F. Conger

The "American Hotel," at Cruces, under the management of E. R. Folger and H. Miller, Jr.

The "United States Hotel," at Panama, under the management of Adrian B. Miller. o10 tf

LAW'S LINE for PANAMA—The steamship COLUMBUS, Capt. J. B. Peck, will leave San Francisco for Panama, on the 16th Oct., touching at Realejo. She will connect with the steamer Falcon, that leaves Chagres on the 13th November. For through tickets to New York and New Orleans, apply to

OLIVER CHARLICK, Agent,

Jackson st, below Sansome.

Gold dust will be received at the office for shipment up to 3 o'clock, P. M. on the 15th. o5tds

FOR SACRAMENTO CITY and STOCKTON—The steamer *MINER*, Capt. R. Hoyt, will leave Central Wharf every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 4 o'clock, P. M. for Sacramento and intermediate places.

The steamer *WM. ROBINSON*, Capt. James Devoe, will leave Central wharf on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, at 4 o'clock, P. M. for Stockton, and intermediate places. For freight and passage, taken at the lowest rates, apply to Captains on board, or to

D. L. Ross,

o7 1w Exchange Buildings.

People's Line for Sacramento City—Every afternoon from Cunningham's Wharf, at 4 o'clock, the well known fast sailing steamers NEW WORLD and SENATOR, will leave as follows:

New World, Capt Wakeman, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, returning from Sacramento city, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 2 P. M.

Senator, Capt John Van Pelt, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, returning from Sacramento city, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 2 P. M.

Freight or passengers taken at the lowest rates. Tickets can be had, and all information can be obtained by applying to the clerks on board, or to

Charles Minturn, Agent,

o1 On Cunningham's Wharf.

N. B. All persons are hereby notified that Messrs Hawley & Co., are the only authorized Express on these boats, and all packages of value or gold dust left with the clerks, are at the risk of the parties leaving them, or of the parties to whom they belong. o2

SOUTHERN MINE LINE.—For *STOCKTON* Deck passage $16; touching at Benicia. The new and fast running steamboat *MARIPOSA*, Capt. Geo. S. Porter, will leave the end of Central wharf every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 4 o'clock, P. M. precisely. Freight received on board storeship Anne, off California st, free of charge. Orders for freight will receive prompt attention if left at the office of

Geo. H. Howard,

o1 Central wharf.

FOR SACRAMENTO CITY, touching at BENICIA.—The new steamer *FASHION*, Captain T. N Egiry, will leave her berth foot of Broadway, Clark's Point, every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. For freight or passage apply to F. Vassault & Co, Commercial Wharf, Clark's Point, or on board of the steamer.

Freight taken from any part of the city or harbor free of charge.

o1 F. Vassault & Co.

FOR STOCKTON—touching at Benicia—The new and fast running steamer *SAGAMORE*, Capt. Geo. D Griffin, will leave Central wharf, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 4 o'clock, P. M. For freight or passage apply to the Captain on board or to

G. M. BURNHAM,

o1 tf Central wharf.

CARD—GARNISS & CO., Auctioneers, beg leave to inform their friends and the public, that they have moved into their new and spacious Sales Rooms, in the Iron Building corner of Washington st. and Jones' lane, between Montgomery and Sansome sts, where they are prepared to transact the AUCTION and COMMISSION BUSINESS, on the most favorable terms. The arrangement of their rooms are such as to afford great facilities in the disposition of goods—the same being of a sufficient capacity to contain a cargo, which can be received from a canal in the rear. They solicit a share of the public patronage.

o9 1m Garniss & Co.

LUMBER, PILES, HEWN TIMBER and FIRE WOOD—CROSBY & SMITH have made arrangements to furnish cargoes of the above mentioned articles, to be delivered at Milton, Oregon. Vessels may depend upon having quick dispatch; and it is a fact worthy of notice, that the voyage to this place can be made in from one to three months less time than to any point on the upper Willamette river. For further particulars apply to their agent,

Benj. Reynolds,

o8 6t Howison's Pier, foot Sacramento st.

MYERS & EHRENBURG, Real Estate Agents, and Surveyors for the towns of Trinidad, Klamath, and for Trinity county general.

OFFICES—In Klamath, corner of Forest and Francis streets. In Trinidad, corner of Whaling and Edward sts. o9 tf

LEONARD & TAY, Washington street, below Montgomery st. offer for sale, Flour, Mess Pork in bbls. and half bbls. Hams, Chili Beans, Tea, Sugar, Butter, Cheese, pilot Bread, Crackers, dried Apples, Raisins, Corn, Mackerel, Salmon, Chocolate, Soap, Starch, sperm Candles, Vinegar, Tobacco, with a variety of other articles in the provision and grocery line. o9 2t*

CLEAR PORK—150 quarter bbls. for sale by HADLEY & COZZENS,

o9 3t Montgomery st.

DAY and NIGHT HOUSE—The MODEL RESTAURANT, Commercial st., next door to Simmons & Lilly's is open at all hours, day and night. Try it. o8 1m*

P Smith, M. D. & Theo. Dimond, M. D., office over Kelsey, Smith & Risley's store, north side of Clay street, second building above Montgomery street. o1

CHILI FLOUR—Fresh Chili Flour afloat, for sale, in lots to suit purchasers, by

Carroll & McDowell,

Montgomery street, next to Ross' brick building. o1 1m

FOR UMPQUA RIVER.—The fine fast sailing clipper built bark ELIZABETH, Capt Dodge, 273 tons burthen, will sail punctually on SATURDAY, October 19th. This vessel has comfortable state room accommodations for 24 passengers, and berths for a large number in the steerage, and can hardly fail to make a quick passage. She affords to those wishing to avail themselves of the 640 acre law of the late Congress, before its expiration in December next, a chance to locate their claims on the rich lands of the Umpqua before the rainy season sets in. Persons leaving California are invited to call before taking passage for Realejo and Panama. Liberal terms offered to families. No freight received after the 18th. WINCHESTER, PAINE & Co,

Office corner Washington and Sansome sts, up stairs. o9 tds

Splendid Vessel for REALEJO and PANAMA.—Passage uniformly $75. The fast sailing A 1 coppered and copper fastened N. York packet ship OSCEOLA, 1000 tons burthen, Richardson, master, will sail for the above ports without fail, on TUESDAY, October 15th. She is, without doubt, the most magnificent vessel for Realejo and Panama, which has yet been put up. Her reputation as a first class vessel, and a fast sailer, is well known. She made the passage from New York to Liverpool in the unprecedented time of 17 days She will now make Realejo in 18 days, and to Panama in 25 days from this port. As regards neat, clean, and comfortable accommodations, no vessel, in any line, will bear any comparison with her. She can accommodate 75 passengers with splendid and spacious state rooms. She has three cabins on deck: she has an elegant separate cabin, with a piano, which will be reserved for ladies and families. She is airy, being ventilated with the newest improved patent ventilators. Her berths are all single and furnished with new mattrasses and bedding; she is carpeted throughout. Her fare will be superior to any steamer on the Pacific, a bill of which will be furnished several days before sailing. Her owner flatters himself that he has sent off better arranged vessels than any other line in San Francisco, and he has spared no expense to make the Osceola superior to them all Gold dust and treasure shipped and insured. For further particulars, or passage, apply to her owner,

C. A. Smith,

o8 tds Dalton House, Jackson st.

For REALEJO and PANAMA—The fine A 1 coppered and copper fastened ship ELLEN BROOKS, 850 tons burthen, Swayne, master, will positively leave for the above ports on FRIDAY, Oct. 20th. This large and splendid ship has superior accommodations. Persons taking passage in her will not suffer the inconvenience attending small and over-crowded vessels. Her officers will be found experienced and polite, and every attention will be paid to the comfort and convenience of all on board. As regards her fare, her owner is determined not to be beaten by any vessel in port. She will remain at Realejo long enough for passengers to decide upon the feasibility of the new route, having the option to proceed to Panama. Gold dust and treasure shipped and insured. For further particulars or passage, apply to her owner,

C. A Smith,

o8 tds Dalton House, Jackson st.

IMPORTANT NEWS from NICARAGUA by the steamer California.—Hon. E. G. Squier, late Minister from the Government of the United States to Central America, reports that: "In passing from one ocean to the other, by way of Nicaragua, $15 will suffice to transport a passenger across the country. Tolerable accommodations may be obtained for about $9, and one may go across in a cart for $7. The Nicaragua route is by many a mile nearer to all the ports of the United States, and the salubrity of the climate must be deemed an advantage that Panama cannot possess."

Ottinger & Brown have now a Regular Line of packets running between this port and *REALEJO*. For freight or passage apply to OTTINGER & BROWN,

o1 Commercial Buildings, Central Wharf.

England—The subscribers have now made arrangements to lay on a line of packets from Liverpool to San Francisco, by which passages may be secured to California, Oregon, Vancouver's Island, and the Sandwich Islands.

Those who may have no correspondence in England, can have goods or freight purchased or forwarded at the lowest rates, and with quick dispatch; or money invested in the funds or otherwise, as parties may desire.

Exchange on Great Britain, in sums to suit those wishing to make remittances, for sale.

Dixon, Forbes & Co,

Commission Merchants, san Francisco.

o1 Dixon, Brothers, Liverpool.

Packets from Hamburg to San Francisco—This line of Packets consists of the well known vessels belonging to Messrs J C Godeffroy & son, of Hamburg. Persons residing in California who wish their friends to come to san Francisco, can secure their passage by applying to

Godeffroy, Sillem & Co,

o1 1m Niantic Warehouses, foot of Clay st.

INFORMATION WANTED—Of Mr. JOSEPH MORRIS, of Pennsylvania, who arrived here in September, 1848, by the overland route, since which time no intelligence has been received of him, by his anxious wife, who, at his request came out to join him. She earnestly requests any person, who may have any knowledge of his fate, or of his present residence, to communicate the same to her by letter, through the Post Office, to the care of Dr. John Baldwin, San Francisco. o8 3teod*

MALAGA RAISINS—2000 boxes fresh Malaga raisins just received, and for sale by PICKETT & Co,

o1 10t foot Jackson street.

LADIES Riding Dresses.—Just received, a splendid assortment of Ladies Riding Dresses, of different colors and styles. Also, Riding Hats and whips. The Ladies are invited to call and examine them at EVERITT'S Hat, Cap and Gents Furnishing Warehouse, Commercial street, near Kearny street. o7 1w

REAL ESTATE—A bargain. 2 lots in California street will be sold cheap, if applied for immediately at the office of

W. Schleiden,

Ship and Custom House broker, Montgomery street, opposite the Custom house. o7 tf

LOTTERY.—$5000 capital prize. Class No. 11 will be drawn on Wednesday next, Oct. 9th. Among the capitals are $5000, $2000, $1000, $700, $500, $800, and the usual amount and number of large and small prizes. Tickets $2 50, for sale at the Manager's office, corner Montgomery and Commercial streets.

Numbers of class Number 10, drawn on Saturday, Oct. 5th:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12. 37, 47, 76, 10, 53, 75, 60, 35, 71, 43, 68, 78,

L. Lincoln & Co., Managers.

o7 3t*

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE—The subscribers have this day formed a copartnership for the management and drawing of Lotteries, and for business purposes generally, under the style and firm of L. Lincoln & Co.

Luke Lincoln,
Noah Ripley.

San Francisco, Oct. 2, 1850. o7 1w*

RECEIVED per ship MEMNON, from New York,

150 dozen 1 and 2 lb cans pres'd lobsters,
50 do 2 lb cans pres'd oysters,
50 do 2 do do clams,
120 do 2 do do potatoes,
126 do 2 do do onions,
50 do 2 do do beans,
50 do 2 do do beets,
50 do 2 do do cabbage,
50 do 4 do do asparagus,
75 do pickles, hf pints, pints, quarts, hf gallons
300 do extract coffee, a superior article.

Also, pepper sauce, tomato catsup, mustard, brandy fruits, sour crout, etc., etc.

Also, 75 doz Wells, Miller & Provost extract blackberry, a certain cure for dysentery and diarrhœa. For sale by

D. R. Provost,

o7 1m* Battery street, Clark's point.

LARGE, MEDIUM and SMALL TENTS, &c—

2 large round tents, water proof
3 army tents, 7x8
5 wall do 8x8, with fly
3 do do 8x8, without fly
3 do do 8x10, with fly
5 do do 10x12, do
3 do do 10½x10½ do water proof
1 do do 16x12 do do
1 do do 24x12 do do with partiton,
5 double hammocks
5 common pack saddles
1 American ensign, 17x10
1 penant, 45 fect long
1 Union Jack, 6x12
4 canvass beds
100 haversacks, for sale by

Cooke Brothers & Co,

o4 7* Brick store, California st.

MRS. REGO & HAMMOND, Milliners and Dress makers; store on the northwest corner of Clay and Pike sts, have just received from New York, a choice assortment of splendid goods, consisting in part of silks, satins, velvets, ribbons, ladies fancy hats, artificial flowers, etc, etc, together with the most beautiful assortment of feathers and trimmings, to be found in San Francisco.

N. B. The subscribers are in receipt, by every steamer, of the latest New York and Paris fashions. o3 8t

WELLS & CO, Bankers, corner of clay and montgomery sts, draw bills on Willis & co, Boston; Drew, Robinson & co, New York; Ludlow, Beebe & co, Phila; Greenway & co, Balt'e; Ellis & Morton, Cincinnati; Loker, Renick & co, St Louis; Robinson & co, Buffalo; Washburn & co, Albany; H A Rathbone, New Orleans; Maclean, Maris & co, London; and at banks in Hartford, New Haven, New London, Providence, Worcester, Plymouth, New Bedford, Salem, Portsmouth, Portland, Bangor, Keene, Concord, Bellows' Falls and Woodstock.

Gold dust shipped and insured to New York. o1 tf

CARGO of ship MEMNON, from New York—

100 bales brown sheeting, 200 bales bro'n drills, 400 bbls Stuart's crushed sugar, 50 tierces Stuart's sugar house syrup, 400 hf bbls clear pork, 50 tierces hams, 80 bbls kiln dried meal, 100 tins wine biscuit, 100 boxes water crackers, 60 bbls white wine vinegar, 150 hf bbls and kegs do, 100 boxes pickles assorted, 100 kegs onions, 12 hf bbls sour crout, 40 bales hair mattresses, 1500 bbls cement, 20 M hard bricks, 200 tons coal, 10 pkgs glazed window sashes, invoice wood mouldings, 12 store trucks, invoice wooden ware, as tubs, pails, brooms, grain measures, boxes, etc. Also, 1000 bbls and 500 hf bbls of that superior brand, Gallego flour, 600 boxes Croton mills do, for sale by

F. C. Sanford,

o1 1m foot Pine street.

LAW BOOKS and Stationery.—Just received, a large invoice of law books, which we offer cheap for cash,

Civil code of Louisiana, New Clerk's Assistant, third edition; Louisiana digest, Starkie on evidence, Chitty on pleading, Blackstone's commentaries, Jarman on wills, Martins on reports, Kaupman's Mazkelky, Deslix's digest, Benjamin & Slidell's digest enlarged, Deslix's general Index from 1809 to 1843, together with a large assortment, too numerous to mention, for sale wholesale and retail by

Cooke & Lecount,

Booksellers and Stationers, Wells & Co. Buildings, Montgomery street. o1

JUSTICE'S COURT. FIRST TOWNSHIP.—Philip W. Shepheard, Justice of the Peace for the First Township, county of san Francisco. Office in Gothic Hall, on Jackson street, next door to Montgomery st. Office hours, from 8 A.M to 6 P. M. Mr. D. W. Thompson, Deputy Marshal, is the officer attending this court.

o1 1m*

40 000 lbs NEW CORN free from weevil, 50 bbls superior draught ale, 50 boxes pearl starch, 10,000 lbs crushed sugar, 20,000 lbs brown do, 50 bbls dried apples, 2000 lbs sweet chocolate. Just received and for sale by

Pickett & Co.,

o3 foot of Jackson street wharf.

L. B. HANKS,

Dealers in Lumber,

Office, Bodega steam saw Mills, No. 1 Gold street. Will furnish to order any quantity of dimension stuff, or ordinary sizes, with dispatch. o4 6m

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THE SCIENTIFIC CONVENTION AT NEW HAVEN.

For several years past a meeting of the most distinguished men of science, has been held in the month of August or September, at some one of the large cities of the northern states. They at first took the name of the 'Association of Geologists,' but finding it quite too exclusive, they have finally adopted that of 'Scientific Convention.' The proceedings of the learned body have always been deeply interesting, and were this year no less so than usual. From them, and the labors of the Smithsonian Institute, we hope to see knowledge more widely increased and diffused among men. We give some extracts from their proceedings as reported.

'Among the celebrities present were Professor Louis Agassiz, E. N. Horsford and Benjamin Peirce, of Harvard University; Lieutenant Charles H. Davis, U. S. N.; Professor Alexander D. Bache, Superintendent of the Coast Survey, and President of the Association for this year; Professor O. M. Mitchell, Superintendent of the Cincinnati Observatory; Dr. A. L. Elwyn, of Philadelphia; Professor Walter R. Johnson, of Washington; Professor Joseph Henry, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution; Wm. C. Redfield, Esq., of New York; President Woolsey, and many of the Professors of Yale College taking an active part in the proceedings. Among the latter may be mentioned Professor Denison Olmstead, the two Stillmans, senior and elder, James D. Dana, E. C. Herrick, E. Loomis, Capt. Wilkes, U. S. N.; Profs. Baird and Lovering of Pa.; Dr. S. Parkman, of Boston; Dr. Lieber, of South Carolina; Sears C. Walker, of the U. S. Coast Survey, and Hon. E. G. Squier, our Charge to Nicaragua.

Trees struck by Lightning.

In a very interesting paper read by Prof. Olmstead, on points of Electrical Theory, he commented upon the popular impression in the southern part of the United States, that Pine trees are of all trees the most apt to be struck by lightning, and this not merely because in certain districts pine forests are the most extensive of any, but even, when mixed with other trees of the forest, the pine seems most frequently to be assailed, when its resinous character would lead us to expect for it an exemption from attack. The Professor held to the fact that the Pine is probably not more liable to be struck than other trees, perhaps not so liable; but when struck it exhibits greater marks of violence in consequence of its non-conducting qualities. Since the attention of Professor Olmstead was first drawn to this subject, he has observed many facts in respect to the liability of trees to be struck by lightning, and has been led to believe that this is a much more frequent occurrence than is generally supposed. Such an inference might be drawn from the number of lives, both of men and animals, that are every year destroyed by taking shelter under trees during a thunder storm. In most cases where trees are full of sap, or are wet with rain, they are such good conductors, as to transmit the charge without recording any marks of violence. In other cases, the sudden decay and death of trees, without any other apparent cause, suggests a probability that lightning may have been the true cause; and we may not unfrequently trace the effects of electricity upon the trunks of trees.

It has been a question of long standing whether trees growing near a house afford it any degree of protection. This question was considered briefly by the Professor. The trees, he remarked, being usually in a state which renders them better conductors of electricity than the materials that compose buildings, and rising above the level of the latter; and presenting in their leaves and terminal branches numerous conducting points, they seem peculiarly adapted to act the part of natural lightning rods.'

A very interesting paper was presented by Mr. E. G. Squier, who has been acting as Charge for our Government in Nicaragua, relating to the volcanoes of Central America, with observations on the geography and topography of Nicaragua. The great length of this forbids our giving an abstract. We give one very important extract connected with the latter part of this subject, and the route across this part of the continent now attracting so much attention:

'Is the great chain of the Cordilleras interrupted at any point upon the great central Isthmus? This question, observed Mr. S. I am enabled to answer in the affirmative. Between the great Basin of Nicaragua, in which are Lakes Managua and Nicaragua, and which is drained by the river San Juan, flowing into the Carribean sea—that is to say, between the western extremity of Lake Managua and the Pacific the Cordilleras are wholly interrupted, and we have only the great plains of Leon and Conajo, rising, for a distance of 3000 yards, to an elevation of about 60 feet above the lake and 200 above the sea, and thence subsiding, in a gentle slope, to the ocean. It is through the Lake of Managua, and across this plain, either to the little port of Tamarinda or the fine port of Realejo, or else (and this is most probable) across the Llano del Conejo, into the magnificent Gulf Fonseca, that the proposed canal must pass. It is true Lake Nicaragua approaches, at one or two points, to within about 15 miles of the Pacific, and it would seem that it might be easily connected with the ocean. But between the two is a ridge of land of considerable height, across which no canal can ever be constructed, simply because no sufficient amount of water is to be obtained at or near the summit to supply even the leakage of such a work. And a direct cut, by which a supply might be obtained from the lake, would involve a tunnel, large enough for ships, of six or seven miles in length, besides immense and almost impossible cuttings for the remainder of the distance.'

Prof. Elias Loomis, of the New York University, read a paper on Electrical Phenomena observed in Certain Houses.

When this subject was announced, some curiosity was manifested, to know whether the Professor was about to give us a scientific exposition of the 'Mysterious Rappings;' but although the subject was not far removed, the knockings were not noticed. The Professor proceeded to detail and comment upon a curiously electrified house or houses in New York city—one particularly, in Fourteenth street, which he had had opportunities of examining, where the shuffling of a slipper across thick and heavy carpets produced a sudden and violent electrical discharge. The phenomena are only observed where the house is large and dry, warmed by furnaces, and furnished with heavy carpeting. I shall recur to this interesting theme of domestic lightning; but enough for to-day.

☞ A woman has her husband in her power, because she may or may not, conform to his circumstances. This is her duty first and ought to her pride. No passion for luxury or display ought for a moment to tempt her to deviate in the least degree from this line of conduct. Any other course is wretchedness itself, and inevitably leads to ruin. Nothing can be more miserable than the struggle to keep up appearances. If it could succeed, it would cost more than it is worth; as it never can, its failure involves the deepest mortification. Some of the sublimest exhibitions have been precipitated suddenly from wealth and splendor to absolute want. Then a man's fortunes are in a manner in the hands of his wife, inasmuch as his own power of exertion depends on her. His moral strength is inconceivably increased by her sympathy, her counsel, her aid. She can aid him immensely by relieving him of every care which she is capable of taking upon herself. If she be prompted by true affection and good sense, she will perceive when his spirit is borne down and overwhelmed. She, of all human beings, can best minister to his needs. If it be weary, in the assiduity it finds repose and refreshment. If it be harrassed and worn to morbid irritability, her gentle tones steal over it with a soothing more potent than most exquisite music. If every enterprise be dead, and hope itself almost extinguished, her patience and fortitude have the power to rekindle them in the heart, and he again goes forth to renew the encounter with the toils and troubles of life.

☞ Washington rumor has it that there is to be a duel between General Wallace, of South Carolina, and General Houston, of Texas, caused, it is said, by a pesonal and abusive letter written by Wallace.

☞ Hon. Mr. Barnwell, M.C. from S. Carolina, seriously believes that we in California are not capable of governing ourselves, and therefore desires to keep us under the regime of Congress.

Santa Anna has gone into the brokerage business in Carthagena, New Grenada.

A PLAN OF DISUNION.—The Washington correspondent of the Boston Journal makes the following assertions relative to a treasonable project of disunion entertained by prominent southerners, and which they actually attempted to carry out last spring. It is probable the matter might have assumed a more serious aspect had not its originators stood in awe of President Taylor, from whom they knew that treason would receive but short shrift. The writer alluded to says:

That in the month of April last a gentleman having the repute of influence and character in the south, visited Mexico incog. After arriving there he held repeated conferences with several of the prominent men, and subsequently submitted the plan of a southern confederacy, into which that republic was proposed to be merged as one of the principal states. This project was brought before the Mexican cabinet by M. Laconza, the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, and was supported by him in what was represented to be an elaborate and able speech. It was resisted by other members of the council, and finally the proposition was rejected; after which the emissary took his departure for California. A part of the plan, intended to operate on the prejudices and partialities of the persons to whom it was addressed, was to make Mexico the capital of this confederacy; it being designed to extend the empire further south by territorial acquisitions, to be obtained either by conquest or by peaceable amalgamation. The statement also represents that Mr. Doyle, the British Minister, was fully acquainted with this movement, and it is believed was familiarly consulted.

I regret that a necessity, involving the personal safety of distinguished individuals in Mexico, denies me the privilege of speaking of them as they deserve, and of enlightening the country in regard to the agencies and influences by which this treasonable proposition was scouted down in the Mexican cabinet. The day may come when so proper a restraint may no longer exist, and when the honorable motives and noble conduct of these men may be fully understood. It is sufficient to say now, that they have refused to make terms with traitors. I have reason to believe that Gen. Taylor was informed of the movement several months before his death, and with his usual promptitude and sagacity had taken steps to prevent any injurious results. The question may well be mooted whether it is not the duty of our government to demand in form of Mexico, whether a proposition for the dismemberment of this Union was ever seriously entertained and deliberated upon in cabinet, or by the executive? Of course such an inquiry would now be answered with a decided denial; but the demand, of itself, would be useful as an admonition.

BATHING ESTABLISHMENTS IN PARIS.—A Paris correspondent of the New York Tribune, writing on the 24th ultimo, gives us an idea of some of the Bathing establishments on the Seine. He says:

The thermometer has been coquetting between 80 and 90, not knowing which figure to stick to. The Seine in the meantime is warmed up to bathing tepidity. It has many bathing establishments on it. These just now appear to occupy Paris more than anything else. Let us enter one from a descent of the Quais. It is some three hundred feet long. The swimmers are provided with calecons, and show much of the plumpness of Norman ponies in their developments. There are jumping steps and diving places, all after the approved fashion. At one end is a cafe restaurant. Here some of the swimmers in Eden costume enter, and seat themselves respectively at the tables. A dame du comptoir, with an admirable coiffure and outline, bows to these naked gentlemen—neither she nor they the least abashed. Beside there are women attendants for the bathers. Certainly to see numbers of them nearly nude, taking their cafe au lait, their bifteks, their petits verres, their nibble at the morning papers, more coolly and comfortably than if they were dressed, and this in the heart of Paris, on a river wide enough to refresh, without cutting into lifeless twain the halves of the city—is a sight for the stranger to wonder it. There are also baths for ladies on the river, where they can learn to swim, and so carry life preservers about them. Anglers, too, are on the rivers, and the fish bite. Altogether there are floating some primitive habits left in Paris.

The attempt to light Schenectady with red-headed girls has been abandoned, but the girls have not.

BOOKSTORE—Wilson & Spalding, Stationers' Hall, Portsmouth bsuare, san Francisco, and also at their Branch Establishments on Front st, Sacramento city, and on ——— st, in the city of Stockton, offer for sale.

BOOKS, wholesale and retail, on liberal terms, a great variety, making the most splendid collection of 50,000 volumes, consisting in part of law and medical books; histories, poems, novels, works on science, mathematics, form books, Business Man's Assistant, Clerks' do, Well's Lawyer, the Ready Reckoner, etc.

Spanish, French and German books, school books, Sanders, Cobb's and Emerson's series.

Stationery, blank books, record books, journals, ledgers, day-books, pocket memorandums, visiting cards, playing cards, drawing paper, maps of gold regions, view of san Francisco, pictures, cap and letter paper, envelopes, gold and steel pens, ink, wafers, etc, and a general assortment of other articles in their line, which they are receiving by every steamer.

N.B. Invoices purchased on liberal terms, and consignments of books and stationery received on commission.

References.—Ernest Zachrisson, Esq, Messrs. Habicht & co, Ward & Price, New York: Zachrisson & co, Panama; G Schmidt, Esq, New Orleans; Ward, Marsh & co, Bosange, Collard & co, san Francisco. ol 1mi

F Argenti & Co., Bankers, San Francisco, Montgomery st., between Clay and Commercial, refer to and draw on—
Brown, Brothers & co, New York,
Brown, Shipley & co, Liverpool,
Samuel Nicholson & co, New Orleans,
Alex. Brown & sons, Baltimore,
Browns & Bowen, Philadelphia,
Jas. Adger & co, Charleston,
Morrell & Dickey, Mobile,
T. B. Curtis, Esq, Boston,
Geo. B. Cumming, Savannah.
Gold dust bought or insured, and forwarded to the U. States at the lowest rates. ol

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WOODWORTH & MORRIS.
Shipping and Commission Merchants.
[Clay street Wharf.]
Strict attention paid to the purchase, sale freight or charter of ships and vessels, and sale of ships, cargoes and merchandise generally. The locality of their warehouse admits of goods being landed and again reshipped, without expense of cartage, thus saving an important item of charges, both to consignees and purchasers. GOLD DUST bought at the highest market rates. DRAFTS on New York for sale, in sums to suit purchasers. Storage for every description of merchandize. ol

VALUABLE LOT ON SACRAMENTO street, to be leased—The subscribers offer to lease, for one or more years, a lot on the south side of sacramento street, between montgomery and Leidsdorff streets, 31½ feet front, and 137½ feet deep, with the privilege of an alley seven feet wide.
Cooke, Baker & co,
ol tf Brick store, california st

THE VERANDAH RESTAURANT, in Johnson's Building, at the corner of Kearny and Washington sts, and opposite the El Dorado, is now open for the reception of visiters. Those who may be pleased to patronize our establishment, will we trust, have no cause to complain of our Fare, as the tables shall be supplied with the viands and delicacies of the market, and our bar furnished with the choicest wines and liquors. Come and see.
ol tf Atkins, Newcomb & Co.

COPARTNERSHIP—The undersigned have this day formed a copartnership under the firm of Cooke & Lecount, for the purpose of carrying on the wholesale and retail stationery business in general. They have leased the fire proof store in Wells & co's Buildings, Montgomery st, next door to Wells & Co's Banking House.
Wm. B. Cooke,
ol tf J. J. Lecount.

ASSIGNEES NOTICE—By an instrument bearing date the 2d Sept inst, the subscribers have been appointed assignees of the estate of Henry Howison, of San Francisco. All persons having claims against the said estate are requested to present the same to either of the undersigned within thirty days, or they will be excluded from the benefit of this assignment; and all parties indebted are requested to make payment at the banking house of James King of William.
James King of Wm,
Edward Vischer,
ol 2w William Meyer.

TREASURER'S NOTICE—All persons who have not paid their State and County Taxes, are hereby notified, that the same are due, and if not satisfied within the proper time, payment of the same with damages, will be legally enforced.

The tax on Personal Property must be paid before the first Monday in October, and on Real Estate before the first Monday in November.

The amount levied is as follows: For State purposes, one half of one per cent; for county purposes, one quarter of one per cent; for the building fund, one quarter of one per cent; State and County Poll Tax, eight dollars.
George Endicott,
County Treasurer, at the head of Centra Wharf ol istf

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE—By a deed executed July 15th, 1850, the undersigned have been appointed Assignees for John M Finley, Chas. H Johnson and Joseph W Auston, trading under the style and firm of Finley, Johnson & co.

The creditors of the firm are hereby requested to present their claims as soon as possible, and all parties indebted to said firm, will please make an early settlement with either. July 16th, 1850.
John F. Spence,
ol tf H. Ray Bowie.

PUBLIC NOTICE—The undersigned have been appointed by deed of trust the Assignees of James S. Graham, of san Francisco. All persons indebted to him are required to make payment immediately, and those having claims against him will present the same to us for settlement.
San Francisco, sept. 6, 1850.
ol John B. Weller, F. Tilford, } Assignees.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE of California, District of the County of Santa Clara: Jose De Arnaz vs. Genoveva Garcia Mangel, Emanuel Mangel and Lorenzo Geoffrey. Petition to foreclose mortgage, &c.:

Whereas, JOSE DE ARNAZ filed in this Court on the 16th day of May, 1850, his petition, showing, among other things, that on the 20th day of December, 1849, Genoveva Garcia Mangel, the wife of Emanuel Mangel, was the owner in fee of a certain house and lot in San Jose, adjoining and in the rear of the house lately occupied by Messrs. Larrain, Benitez & Co., and fronting on Garcia street, did on that day mortgage the same, with the consent of Emanuel Mangel, her husband, to said Arnaz, to secure the sum of five hundred and sixty dollars, payable four months from date: That afterwards, on or about the 15th day of January, 1850, said Emanuel Mangel and Genoveva G. Mangel executed a mortgage on the same premises to one Geoffrey, of San Francisco, for about fourteen hundred dollars; which said mortgage was falsely dated the 19th of December, 1849, with intent to defeat the prior mortgage lien on said real estate, and to cheat and defraud said petitioner out of his debt. Said petitioner prays discovery and full answer to the above facts, that said mortgage to Geoffrey be set aside as fraudulent, and that said premises be sold to pay petitioners's mortgage, and for general relief.

And it being proved by affidavit to the satisfaction of this Court that Emanuel Mangel is a non-resident of this State, notice is hereby given to Emanuel Mangel to be and appear before the Honorable Court of the Third Judicial District, for the County of Santa Clara, on the fourth Monday of December, 1850, at the court house in San Jose, then and there to answer said petition, or, in default thereof, the allegation therein contained will be heard in your absence and decreed accordingly.

Given under my hand and private seal, there being no seal of office yet provided at this office, this 24th of May, A. D. 1850.
L. S. jel H. C. MALONE, Clerk.

THE PEOPLE of the State of California: To John Pile. By order of the District Court of the county of san Joaquin, at the May term thereof, A.D. 1850, You are hereby summoned to be and appear before said court, on the 4th Monday after the second Monday of November next ensuing, to answer Mary Anne Murray, of a bill of complaint exhibited against you and a certain Henry Lyne, and filed in the Clerk's Office of said court on the 14th day of May, A.D. 1850, by Mary Anne Murray, plaintiff, for the foreclosure of you, the said John File and the said Henry Lyne, of and from all equity of redemption of, in and to certain property situated in the town of Stockton, described in a mortgage executed by you to the said Murray, bearing date the 15th day of October, A.D. 1849; and you are notified that unless you appear at the time and place mentioned, and answer to said complaint, the same will be taken for confessed, and a decree entered accordingly.
A. C. BRADFORD, Clerk.
E. L. B. Brooks, for plaintiff. ol*

IN JUSTICE'S COURT.—Before Brown, George W. Bushnell *vs.* M. Expert, M. Massurier, and his sons. SAME COURT—William B. White *vs.* same defendants. To M. Expert, M. Massurier, and his sons, defendants in the above causes:

Complaints in these two causes were filed in my office, san Francisco, California, by said Bushnell and White respectively, Aug 16th, 1850, against you, as owners of the bark Gustave, for a breach of your contract, made in May last, with said Bushnell and White, respectively, have been issued by me, returnable the 22d of August, 1850 August 16th, aforesaid, said bark, tackle &c. was levied upon, by virtue thereof.—You are required to appear and answer said complaint, February 24th, 1851, at 10 o'clock, A.M, of that day, at my office.
H. S. Brown,
ol 6m23d Justice of the Peace.

STATE Marine Hosptial—The Commissioners of Health for the port of San Francisco, have taken the building on Stockton street, lately known and occupied as the American Hotel, and have converted the same into a State Marine Hospital.

The public are informed that the Hospital is now open for the reception of patients.

The public authorities of the city of San Francisco, who have charge of the city poor, citizens, and all persons not entitled to hospital privileges, are also informed that patients will be admitted at this hospital for the moderate sum of $28 per week, in advance, including board, lodging and medica attendance.

For admission, apply at the Hospital, to the Resident Physician.
Lorenzo Hubbard, M. D.,
Resident Physician.

N. B. No patient laboring under an infectious or contagious disease will be treated at this Hospital, but a suitable place will be provided for them, on application as above. ol

AUCTIONEERS are hereby notified that their quarter ends on Monday, the 7th inst, and the State tax becomes due on that day. All dues not paid by the 14th inst, will be legally collected.

Proper forms can be obtained at the Treasurer's office.
George Endicott,
o3 10t County Treasurer.

C. V. Gillespie, Notary Public, India Stores, entrance in Sansome street, near California. ol

SHERIFF'S SALE.—By virtue of an execution issued out of the Superior Court within and for the city of San Francisco, county of San Francisco, and State of California, duly tested, and dated October 3d, A. D. 1850, in the case of Wm. M. Burgoyne and John V. Plume against Jesse B. Hart, wherein a judgment was recovered in said court against said Hart for the sum of twelve hundred and forty-two dollars, and the further sum of thirty-five 50-100 dollars court tax and clerk fees, together with the accruing costs, and said execution being to me directed, and by virtue of which I have on the day and year aforesaid, taken in execution the following described property to wit: the right, title, claim and interest of Jesse B. Hart of, in and to those tracts or parcels of land lying and being in the city of San Francisco and State aforesaid, and known by being parts of the fifty vara lots Nos. 20 and 19, bounded and described by beginning at the southwest corner of lot No. 20, thence northerly along Kearny street to the southwest corner of the El Dorado buildings, thence easterly with the said El Dorado building fifty-five feet, thence southerly parallel with Kearny street on Portsmouth square twelve varas and one-half, thence easterly parallel with the southern boundary line of said lot No. 20 to the eastern boundary line of said lot No. 20 eighty-two and one half feet, thence southerly sixty-nine feet to the southeast corner of said lot No 20, thence westerly one hundred and thirty-seven and one half feet to the place of beginning, fronting on Kearny street on Portsmouth square between the Crescent and El Dorado buildings one hundred and four feet. Also, one lot, No. 2 of Dunbar's subdivision of fifty vara lot No. 19, situate on the west side of Dunbar's Arcade, and lying east of the land conveyed by deed in lot No. 20. The above deed recorded in book B, page 528 of the county records. Also, the interest, &c. in the following real estate, situate in the city aforasaid, bounded on the southwest by an alley 50 varas, on the southeast by lands owned by John B. R. Cooper 23 varas, on the northeast by lands owned by John Thompson fifty varas, on the north by Jackson street 23 varas, excepting herefrom two feet, fronting on Jackson street, running back the same width eighty-feet in the northeast corner of said property, sold to Cassaforth, and the fraction formerly occupied by the Ohio House, being in all twenty-two feet fronting on Jackson street, by eighty feet back and a fraction in the rear, sixty-six feet by fifty-seven and one half feet; and part of 100 vara lot No. 50, mortgaged for twenty-five hundred dollars, at ten per cent. per month, dated July 12th, 1850, in book A of mortgages, pages 289 and 290. Also, the right and interest &c., as aforesaid to that lot or parcel of land situate in said city, and being a portion of lot known on the map of said city as No. 334, and marked on the plan or map of said lot No. 334, as subdivided; Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, being the same premises heretofore conveyed to Jesse B. Hart by John H. Brown, excepting the lots conveyed to James McCabe, mortgaged to John H. Brown for four thousand dollars at ten per cent. per month, dated June 1st, 1850, recorded in book A of mortgages, page 155. Now, know ye, that on Saturday, the 26th inst. at the hour of 11 o'clock, A. M., of said day, in front of the Court house, by virtue of said execution and the proceedings therein, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, interest, claim and demand of the aforesaid Jesse B. Hart, of, in and to the foregoing described property.
John C. Hays, Sheriff,
by John S. Powers, dep. sh'ff.
Oct. 4, 1850. o5 codts

NOTICE—The books of the City Assessor are placed in the hands of the subscriber, in accordance with the ordinance passed April 7th, 1850. Public notice is hereby given that the books are open for the inspection of tax payers, at the office of the clerk of the City Council, corner of 7th and I streets, for the space of ten days. Notice is hereby given to all those agrieved, to make application to the Common Council of this city at the first regular meeting after the expiration of the said ten days. Common Council Chamber, Sacramento City, Aug 27, 1850.
Thos. H. Pyott,
ol Clerk Common Council.

NOTICE to Shipmasters and Owners.—We, the undersigned, shipwrights of san Francisco, have completed our arrangements for heaving out vessels of any size, that may need overhauling from keel to light water. Mr. Thompson, a master rigger, may be found on board the ship Pico, south side Rincon Point, at all times, who will give immediate attention to orders left with him, or orders left at Hawley, Sterling & co's, foot of Sacramento street, will be attended to.
s30 1m* Hudson, Smith & Lester.

S BEEBEE, LUDLOW & CO., Exchange Brokers and Bankers, have removed to Van Dyke & Belden's fire proof building, in Clay street, 2d door from the corner of Montgomery street.

Drafts on Beebee, Ludlow & Co., New York; Ludlow, Beebee & Co, Philadelphia, Josiah Lee, Baltimore, for sale, and in all the principal cities, in sums to suit, by
S. Beebee, Ludlow & Co.,
ol tf Clay st, 2d door from Montgomery

LUMBER, HOUSES and WAGONS—50 M feet square timber
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2 lumber wagons
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John S. Gibbs & Co,
o4 1wood* Sansome street.

FIRE APPARATUS For Sale—A first class forcing suction engine and hose carriage, with all appurtenances, and 625 feet new riveted hose. The whole in complete order, and now ready for immediate use. Winter & Latimer,
Next door to Cross, Hobson & co, sansome street. ol

FOR SALE—A Corrugated Iron Store, 30x60; will sell less than freight and duties. Also, for sale, a fine piano, very melodious, will sell very cheap. Apply to W. SCHLEIDEN,
on Broadway, between Dupont and Stockton streets, or at his office, opposite the Custom house. ol

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